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Patent Application of:

Hieyounh W. Oh

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"CONDUCTIVE HEAT-EQUALIZING DEVICE"

**STATUS** 

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Final Office Action was mailed July 27, 2006 in this case. A Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief were submitted in response and received by the Office on September 29, 2006. On April 16, 2007, the undersigned faxed a copy of the papers submitted on September 29, 2006, along with a copy of the auto-reply facsimile transmission received from the Office, to Examiner Flanigan. A Notice of Abandonment was improperly mailed on April 17, 2007. In accordance with Examiner Flanigan's suggestion, this paper is being submitted to preserve the Applicant's right to continue prosecution of this case. The status of this case should be changed from abandoned to pending. It is the undersigned's understanding that Examiner Flanigan is already taking appropriate steps to correct the error made by the Office, and no further action is required from the Applicant at this time. If further action is required, it is respectfully requested that the Office contact the undersigned at the number provided below.

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